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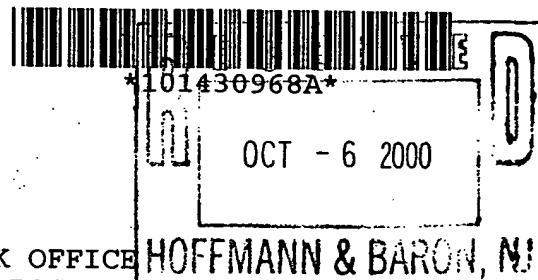
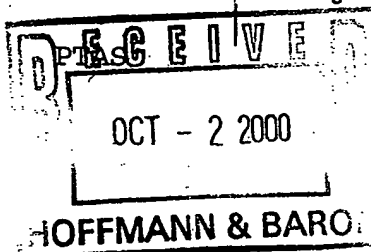


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PATENT NUMBER:

FILING DATE: 03/14/2000  
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**Maple Grove, MN 55311-1566**

**USA**  
Nationality

and the successors, assigns and legal representatives of the ASSIGNEE

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Date: ☒ 7/3/00

☒ Richard J. Zdrahala  
Richard J. Zdrahala

Date: ☐ \_\_\_\_\_

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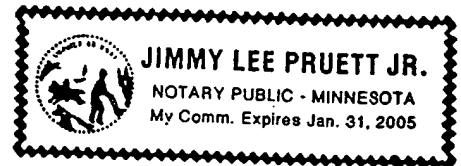
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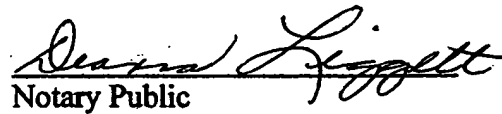
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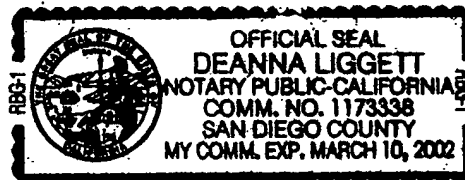
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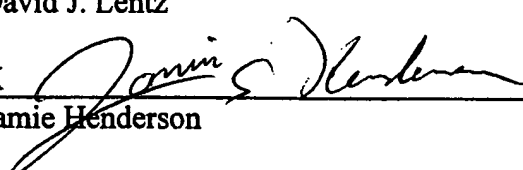
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Jamie Henderson

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On this *16<sup>th</sup>* day of *June*, 2000, before me personally appeared **Jamie Henderson** to me personally known and known to me to be the person who signed the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged the signing of same as his free act and deed.

*Holly A. Spitz*  
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**HOLLY A. SPITZ**  
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Date: X 7/17/2000

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Date: X

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Gary Loomis

Date: X

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Ronald Rakos

Date: X

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(If ASSIGNOR is a legal entity, complete the following information)

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Type or print the name of the above person  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

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On this *17th* day of *July*, 2000, before me personally appeared **Edward Dormier** to me personally known and known to me to be the person who signed the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged the signing of same as his free act and deed.

*Nazira Bhayani-Dada*  
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**NAZIRA BHAYANI-DADA**  
Notary Public of New Jersey  
My Commission Expires March 26, 2001

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Edward Dormier

Date: X 6/15/00

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Gary Loomis

Date: X

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Krzysztof Sowinski

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**KATHLEEN J. GOODHAND**  
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My Commission Expires July 16, 2002.




Date: X

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Date: X

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Gary Loomis

Date: X JUNE 16, 2000

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Krzysztof Sowinski

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On this *16<sup>th</sup>* day of *June*, 2000, before me personally appeared **Ronald Rakos** to me personally known and known to me to be the person who signed the foregoing Assignment and acknowledged the signing of same as his free act and deed.

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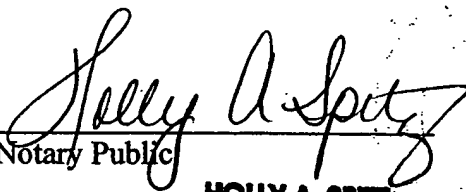
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**As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:**

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- (a) ☐ Is attached hereto.
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☒ Serial No. 09/525,710 or  
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and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_. (If applicable)
- (c) ☐ was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/  
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### ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF REVIEW OF PAPERS AND DUTY OF CANDOR

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above, and that the filing of said specification, if heretofore filed, was authorized by me.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

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PROVISIONAL APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE (Day/Month/Year)

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) or PCT international application(s) designating the United States of America that is/are listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in such prior application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application(s) and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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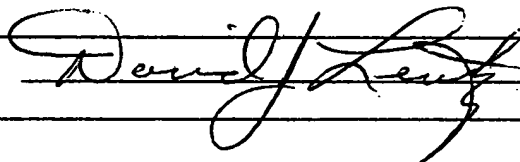
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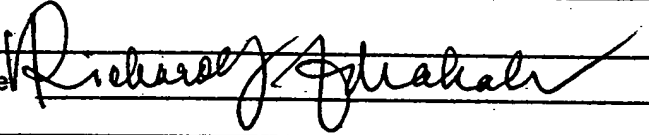
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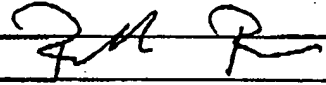
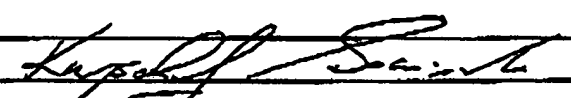
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